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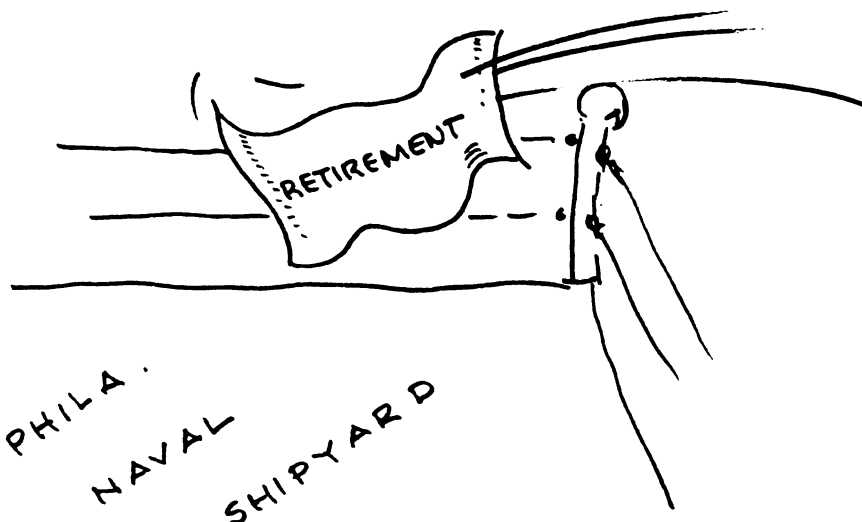
ALL VISITORS ARE WELCOME

Club Nets are conducted weekly.

Every Tuesday - 8:00 p.m., 147.63/03, code
practise is conducted, all
are welcome.

NUMBER 2

Sam's CORNER



YOU SAW IT
HERE FIRST!

The Prez Sez - - -

I just ran across an article which I would like to share with you. I have been saving it for the last five years and feel it has a very important message for all of us.

With his thumb, a hitch-hiker says, "You furnish the gas, car, attend to the repairs and upkeep, supply the insurance, and I'll ride with you. But, if you have an accident, I'll sue you for damages."

It sounds pretty one-sided, but one wonders how many hitch-hikers there are in our Club. Many members seem to say, "You go to the meetings, serve on the committees and do the paper work, study the issues, contact the legislators, run for office and take care of things that need doing, and I'll just go along for the ride. And if things don't suit my fancy, I will complain, criticize, and probably get out and hitch-hike with another guy."

Hitch-hiker or Driver, ask yourself, which kind am I?

Credit for this article goes to Charlie R. Cloud, WB3CPW, Past President, PennARC.

73,

Ed

Ed, KB3IV

JANUARY 1983 - GENERAL MEETING

At 8:03 P.M. on Wednesday, January 5th, W3SRU passed the gavel; which was promptly used by the incoming president, KB3IV; and the 398th General Meeting (THE YEAR OF THE BEARD) of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club was underway. - The minutes of the December Directors' Meeting were read and approved. W3IIN gave the Treasurer's Report. (We don't know how creative her books will be yet, but she is much prettier than our last Treasurer) - The prize drawing was conducted by KA3AMO. (He didn't even buy a ticket) - KC2HX, substituting for W3VVS, reported that the meeting was attended by 42 members (The rest of you missed the meeting of the year!) and 5 guests. Arnie introduced: Doris Hamilton, CarolBeth Wyatt-N3CQA, Rick Spencer, (Elaine's son) Russ Edmunds-WB2WJH and Jackie (Is she working on her CW?) Chedeville. - Brief reports were given by W3PST and N3ADI. - WB3CMM needs Net Controls for all Sunday Nets. - W3SRU (Without the aid of charts) reported that PMRC participated in 13 special events, eight of which employed MOCOM. Gil is looking for suggestions regarding possible events for 1983. - W3WXC asked, "Are we going to have the Annual STAG NIGHT Event?" Our new president (Being the DIPLOMAT that he is) assured the Club that this function would be held in 1983. - Ed turned the meeting over to W3AWH, who along with AK2I, both regaled in formal attire, (I didn't know that Poland had King Penguins) and W3IIN, ably administered the "First Annual Phil-Mont Roast". Sharp barbs flew and innuendos were the order. A most enjoyable time was had by all, including the Roasted. (For those who missed it, KC2HX will arrange private video tape screenings - for a fee of course) - Ed adjourned the meeting at 9:50. Refreshments, procured by KA3AMO, were served.

JANUARY DIRECTORS' MEETING

Keeping with the tradition established by our past leader, KB3IV called the January 18th Directors' Meeting to order at 8:09 P.M. The meeting, held at the home of W3SRU, was attended by: W3's-IIM, IIN, PST, AWG, AWH, SGR, GIF (Al, read carefully and you will find out what you missed during your nap), CW, ZPP, GQD, K3KUD, K3GNM, WB3KAC, WB3CMM and N3ADI. - Minutes of the January General Meeting were read and approved. - W3IIN gave the Treasurer's Report (unbearded people just seem more honest) - W3PST led a brief discussion (brief at least for Woody) on the Blurb and its format. - W3AWH reported on the results of the Audit Committees's examination of our past Treasurer's books. As usual, Ed's luck prevailed (the chief scrutator - W3D\$G- was ill and missed the inquisition) and KB3IV came away unscathed. (They never found the new clutch, did they Ed?) - John then presented the 1983 Budget, (the Directors took issue with one item - \$1000 for the erection of a tribander at the Ardmore White House) which was approved as submitted. - W3IIN introduced the application for membership of WB3HJD, Robert Fuessinger. Bob's application was approved. (Welcome to Phil-Mont). - IV instructed the Social Committee to meet and formulate plans for the April Directors' Meeting. W3AWH made a suggestion that the event be called, in alternate years, "Ladies Night" or "Stag Night". Needless to say, the comment fell on deaf ears. The

information, that the committee gathers, will be discussed at the February Meeting. - W3SRU indicated that he plans to have the Special Events Committee investigate the need for upgraded equipment in MOCOM. Gil will have several projects to announce in upcoming months. - W3IIM proposed that the Photography Committee name be changed to the Historical Committee, and that it be made responsible for the collection, organization, preservation and presentation of Phil-Mont memorabilia. The motion was passed. (Some guys go out and look for work. Good luck, Jack.) - Ed adjourned the meeting at 10:01 (Gil's record is 10:30 - I know you can beat it!) Refreshments were served. Thanks to our hosts, Gil and Frankie, for their gracious hospitality.

Respectfully Submitted

DON GORDON - WB3KQJ

**** CONTEST ** CONTEST ****

WIN VALUABLE PRIZES - EASY TO ENTER - JUST FILL IN THE CALLS OF THE PHIL-MONTERS WHO YOU THINK MADE EACH OF THE REMARKS - SEND COMPLETED ENTRY TO: "JUDGE OF CONTEST" C/O THE ARDMORE WHITE HOUSE, P.O. BOX 432, ARDMORE, PA. 19003. (CONTEST CLOSES WHEN JOHN SAYS SO!)

FIRST PRIZE: 1/2 HOUR TOUR OF BARNEGAT BAY ON KC2HX'S YACHT
SECOND PRIZE: 1 HOUR TOUR OF BARNEGAT BAY ON KC2HX'S YACHT
THIRD PRIZE: 1 SINGLE SURFACE CAVITY FILLED (Services by W3SGR, D.D.S.)

1. "Where you at boy?"... DE -----
2. "I think I'll FIRE UP THE BEAST"... DE -----
3. "Where can I get a good deal on"... DE -----
4. "I put some oil and garlic on the GAGOOTZ"...DE -----
5. "Hum, just turn LEFT on 13th, LEFT on Vine, LEFT on Broad, LEFT on Race and LEFT on 13th"...DE -----
6. "Baltimore is really coming in strong tonight"...DE -----
7. "Work? How can I! I have to put a tire on the Dodge, fix the exhaust on the Caddy & adjust the VW brakes"...DE -----
8. "...-, ...-, ...-, ...-, "...DE -----
9. "A phone patch on '03...over my dead body... DE -----
10. "What! I'm not on that committee"...DE -----
11. "I'm heading down the shore to finish the stairs"..DE -----
12. "I'll have to give you a positive maybe on that"...DE -----

PHIL-MONT'S FEBRUARY CALENDAR //

DUES ARE DUE !!! DUES ARE DUE !!!!!

- 02 Marks the midpoint of the winter season, better known as
GROUNDHOG DAY. Punxatawney, here we come.
- 06 K3PHC is the 2M NCS & W3GIF is the 10M NCS. Don't say we
didn't warn you.
- 07 Regular Meeting at the Franklin Institute, 8:00 pm. Details
to be announced later. Check with NCS's on Sunday.
- 13 WB3CMM - 2m NCS. WB3KAC - 10m NCS
- 16 Directors' Meeting - W3CW - 8:00 pm & BLURB Deadline!!
- 20 KB3IV - 2m NCS. KB3CT - 10m NCS
- 21 On this day, Sarah Bagley, began work as the first woman
telegrapher in Lowell, Mass. in 1846.
- 22 Birthington's Washday
- 27 W3SRU - 2m NCS. W3KDO - 10m NCS.
- 28 BLURB Folding @ WB3RICK - 7:15 pm.

S h o r t m o n t h , t h i s t i m e .

Lest we forget, DUES ARE DUE!

The Phil-Monter Song

(to be sung to the tune of "The Whiffen-poof Song")

From the cables down at Spencers',
To the couch where Arnie dwells,
To the dear repeater that we love so well,
Sing the Phil-Monters assembled, with their'ntennas raised
on high,
And the magic of CW casts its spell.

Cms - - We are poor little Hams, who have gone astray;
D-A-H, D-A-H, D-A-H !

We are little mobileers, who have lost our way
DIT - DAH - DIT, DIT - DAH - DIT, DIT - DAH - DIT.

Mobling Phil-M'nters off frequency,

Doomed from here to Eternity,

FCC have mercy on such as we,

DIT-DIT-DIT-DAH, DIT-DIT-DIT-DAH, DIT-DIT-DIT-DAH ! !

For Sale - Kenwood TS120S, w/Kenwood mike MC-S, Lambda pwr supply
10 amp. Call 7 am-9 pm any day 482-9165, KB3QE, Frank
\$450.00 Clark

For Members Only
Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc.

1983 Budget

Income

Dues	\$2,100.00
Door Prizes	500.00
BLURB	20.00
ARRL Renewals	300.00
Project Sales	200.00
Donations	150.00
Social Events	1,500.00
Misc. Income	100.00
1982 Surplus	113.00
T o t a l	<u>\$4,983.00</u>

Outgo (that's short for expenses)

Door Prizes	\$ 500.00
Refreshments	225.00
BLURB	1,250.00
ARRL Renewals	276.00
Repeater	100.00
Mocom V Maintenance	200.00
Stationery, Postage, Supplies	75.00
W3TKQ Station	300.00
Memorial Fund	100.00
P.M.R.C. Liability Insurance	140.00
Project Expenses	200.00
Social Events	1,400.00
Special Events	100.00
Misc Expenses	117.00
	<u>4,983.00</u>

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New Address - - -

C. R. Spencer, II
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And now for some real
GOOD NEWS!!!

Someone, to whom we
fondly refer as
WB3RICK, has now a
for real, honest-to-
goodness call,
KA3KIY. But don't
waste much energy
trying to memorizing
it as he has already
applied for his Tech.
CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!

Jobs at ARRL Hq

ARRL Hq. has two job openings in the Club and Training Department. Both are full-time salaried positions with full benefits (including a four-day work week) and require relocation to the Hartford area.

1) *Volunteer Examining Program Manager* will refine program design and oversee eventual participation as a Volunteer Examination Coordinator. Salary range is \$13,125-15,225 per year, depending on qualifications.

2) *Recruitment Program Manager* will coordinate the League's work to introduce bright young people to Amateur Radio. Salary range for this position is \$13,125-14,175 per year, depending on qualifications.

Interested persons should submit resumes and writing samples to the American Radio Relay League, Dept. 9V-9R, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111.

RM-4040 Draws Late Fire

ARRL has requested FCC to strike from the RM-4040 file the late-filed comments of American Video and Landmark Cablevision. RM-4040 is the League's rulemaking request to bar CATV operation at amateur frequencies.

ARRL said the cable operators' joint comments were filed for "purposes of delay and to muddy the waters of this proceeding". The ARRL blasted American Video/Landmark Cablevision's assertions of amateur/CATV "sharing": "No frequency is 'shared' between over-the-air services and [closed] cable systems". The Commission should strike the joint comments because the cable systems' filing was made three and one-half months late, the League concluded.

Details on these actions will appear in March QST. For a review of the RM-4040 proceeding, check December 1982 QST "Cable Capsule".

EPA to Set RF Limits?

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released an Advance Notice of Proposed Recommendations (ANPR) for developing a federal protection guide for public exposure to radiofrequency energy. The EPA invites public comment on its Advance Notice, especially on the conceptual approach the Agency should use to develop limits for exposure. A limited number of copies of the ANPR in Docket A-81-43 are available from the ARRL Committee on the Biological Effects of RF Energy, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111. The ANPR can also be found in the December 23, 1982 *Federal Register*, page 57338.

Extracted from the ARRL LETTER

Strange stuff on 2M

"Ultra-long-range" cordless telephones could pose a new threat to Amateur Radio. Two such units are already being marketed for export use only, but at least one of these (Noncord DX Model NC-20M) is designed for transmit operation in the 143-147 MHz range. A flyer for the device claims a range of 20 miles and a power of 13 watts. Options include gain antennas and a 25 watt "booster" for increased range. Advertising states "operation can be portable (hand-carried) or mobile in a vehicle or an airplane."

These and similar units are illegal for use in the United States according to the FCC, but nowhere in the Noncord literature is this mentioned. If you discover one of these units operating illegally in the amateur 2-meter band, report it to your local FCC field office immediately. A similar advertisement for a unit called the Rova/Pro Cordless Long-Range Telephone does state their unit is not FCC-approved in the USA.

GDTEH FROM BRATS

WAIT FOR The Beep

from the back seat - - -

We have now entered the new year with the usual splash and fanfare, W-O-W! What fanfare! And some of the creativity is continuing. You will be quick to note some subtle(I hope) changes in your BLURB, starting with this February issue. What you see will not be on a regular monthly basis, but often enough to season to taste, not too tart or spicy, just a little different. Your Officers are already in gear which was demonstrated at the January Directors' Meeting. So far, it looks like it is going to be a F-U-N Year, so don't miss any of it. As Sam has reminded us(on the cover), this is the Communications Year - 1983, so let's communicate, not only with our HT's and other 2m gear, but with pen and pencil and our dialing finger. Let your Officers and Editor know your feeling about your Club and your BLURB, that's right, YOUR BLURB!

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Follows is the schedule for the Directors' Meetings for 1983

February - W3CW	May - W3GQD	August - KC2HX	November-AK2I
March - W3GIF	June- W3AWH	September-W3BBE	December-W3AA
April - - W3WXC	July-WB3KOJ	October- W3IIN	Jan-'84-KB3IV

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And from the S P A R C - we glean the following - -

Samuel F. B. Morse may not have invented the pattern of dots and dashes known as the Morse Code. There is evidence that his asso. Alfred Lewis Vail, deserves the credit. Morse first jotted down his ideas for the telegraph in 1832. He included notes about using dots and spaces as a code to represent numbers, not letters. Five years later, Vail wandered into a demonstration of a crude first model of the telegraph made from a canvas stretcher, a clock and wire. Impressed, Vail formed a partnership with Morse to develop a more workable model. Morse set to work on a code dictionary where every english word would get a number code. In 1838, someone created an alphabet code with an important new element, the dash. Wm. Baxter, then an apprentice on the project, said it was Vail, but Morse later claimed the credit. Vail definitely invented the stylus and circuit breaker, but all patents were held in Morse's name.

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